

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A tag management server includes a database for storing tag management information corresponding to respective ID tags, wherein the tag management server judges whether the inquiry is legitimate or not, based on tag information corresponding to an ID tag managed by the tag management server, the tag management server retrieves tag management information corresponding to the tag information used in the legitimate inquiry from the database, and when the corresponding tag management information is retrieved, the tag management server supplies the tag management information to an inquirer, and when the inquiry is not legitimate or when corresponding tag management information is not retrieved, the tag management server gives a notice of the fact to the inquirer.